BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Authority, Among Other Things, to Increase Rates and Charges for Electric and Gas Service Effective on January 1, 1999.

(U 39 M)

Application 97-12-020 (Filed December 12, 1997)

Investigation into the Reasonableness of Expenses Related to the Out-Of-Service Status of Pacific Gas and Electric Company's El Dorado Hydroelectric Project and the Need to Reduce Electric Rates Related To This Non-Functioning Electric Generating Facility.

Investigation 97-11-026 (Filed November 19, 1997)

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Authority, Among Other Things, to Decrease its Rates and Charges for Electric and Gas Service, and Increase Rates and Charges for Pipeline Expansion Service.

Application 94-12-005 (Filed December 9, 1994)

(Electric and Gas) (U 39 M)

Order Instituting Investigation Into Rates, Charges, and Practices of Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

Investigation 95-02-015 (Filed February 22, 1995)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING

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It appears that on or about October 1, 2002, the Commission inadvertently posted on its internet website an electronic document with the captions and docket numbers for this consolidated proceeding and the title "Opinion on Business and Accounting System Verification Audit." This document is a preliminary draft decision that is currently undergoing internal review within the Commission. It should not have been publicly released. Therefore, good cause appearing,

IT IS RULED that:

- 1. Parties should disregard the document entitled "Opinion on Business and Accounting System Verification Audit" until such time as a document with that title is publicly released by the Commission. As with all proposed and draft decisions that are released for comment, the Commission will serve such document by United States Mail in addition to posting it on the internet website.
- 2. The document filed on October 21, 2002 entitled "Comments of Pacific Gas and Electric Company on Draft Decision of Administrative Law Judge Wetzell on Business and Accounting System Verification Audit" is deemed withdrawn. In the event that any party files a reply to those comments, said reply shall be also be deemed withdrawn. All parties shall be entitled to file comments and reply comments in accordance with the Rules of Practice and Procedure after a draft decision addressing the business and accounting system audit is publicly released.

Dated October 29, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ MARK S. WETZELL

Mark S. Wetzell

Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated October 29, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ FANNIE SID
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